## Board of Zoning & Appeals MINUTES February 5, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Johnny Wilson, Sandra Quinn, Ede Graves, John Kester, & James Dozier

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Brenda Bessinger

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Matt Millwood & Debra Grant

I. Call to Order

II. Public Input: None

**III. Approval of Minutes for November 6, 2019;** Ms. Graves made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Mr. Wilson; the motion was approved unanimously.

IV. Variance Request

## V #20-01

James Bailey, property owner at 426 Wood Street (Beanz Coffee Shop), is seeking variances to Article X; Section 1014.101; 3 (signage setbacks) of the City of Georgetown Zoning Ordinance. Matt Millwood/City Staff told the Board that the variance requested is for a 6 ft. side variance (Church Street), and a 5 ft. rear variance, this would allow Mr. Bailey to install a monument sign on the side corner of the property. Matt said the maximum square footage allowed is 20 sq. ft. This is being requested because the business is not readily seen and the sign would be for advertisement of his business. Mr. **Dozier** asked the difference in location of the proposed sign and the existing sign of the bank next door. Matt said the bank's sign is right next to the sidewalk. Ms. Graves asked if South State Bank (the neighboring business) got a variance for their sign. Matt said he did not know for sure, but does know the sign was there for many years, it was refaced by the bank, and is grand-fathered in. Ms. Graves also asked if there were any concerns from the neighbors. Matt said he did not get any calls of concern. Ms. Quinn asked what size sign was being requested. Mr. Bailey said the request is for a 4 x 5 sign (including the base). Mr. Bailey said the hope is to help build his business by letting people know where he is located, hopefully he will be able to install some back lights. Ms. Quinn asked if the sign would obstruct the view of the neighboring business. Mr. Bailey said no the sign would not obstruct the site lines.

## **Public Input: None**

Motion: Mr. Dozier made a motion to grant a 6 ft. side variance and a 5 ft. rear variance for the placement of a monument sign, seconded by Ms. Graves; the motion carried 5 to 0.

## V. Board Election:

Ms. Graves nominated Mr. John Kester to continue to serve as Chairman, seconded by Mr. Dozier. With there being no other nominations the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Graves nominated Ms. Brenda Bessinger to continue to serve as Vice Chair, seconded by Mr. Dozier. With there being no other nominations the motion passed unanimously.

VI.	Adjournment: With there being no further business the meeting was adjourned.
Submi	tted By,
Debra Board	Grant Secretary